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GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

Ukraine: draft resolution

Contribution to nuclear disarmament

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 49/75 H, 49/75 L and 49/75 P of 15 December 1994,

Noting with satisfaction a number of positive developments in the field of nuclear disarmament, in particular, the entering into force of START 1,

Realizing the vital importance of further nuclear disarmament with the ultimate goals of the complete elimination of nuclear weapons and a treaty on general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control,

Bearing in mind the results of the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, 1/

Noting that the vast majority of States Members of the United Nations are now parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,

1. Welcomes the accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of the following States: Algeria, Argentina, Chile, Comoros, Eritrea, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Palau, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates and Vanuatu;

1/ See 1995 Review and Extension Conference Part I of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT/CONF.1995/32 (Part I).

2. Welcomes the accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of Ukraine as a non-nuclear-weapon State, and in this regard acknowledges that this decision as well as those taken by Belarus and Kazakstan contributed to the entry into force of START 1, which is a major landmark in the process of nuclear disarmament;

3. Expresses its satisfaction with the consistent and effective implementation by Belarus, Kazakstan and Ukraine of their obligations under START 1;

4. Also welcomes South Africa for voluntarily giving up its nuclear weapon programme as well as voluntary renunciation of nuclear weapons by Belarus, Kazakstan and Ukraine, and recognizes the significant contribution of those States to nuclear disarmament and the strengthening of regional and global security;

5. Urges, in this context, all States to implement fully their commitments in the field of nuclear disarmament.

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GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

Ukraine: draft resolution

Contribution to nuclear disarmament

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 49/75 H, 49/75 L and 49/75 P of 15 December 1994,

Noting with satisfaction a number of positive developments in the field of nuclear disarmament, in particular, the entry into force of the Treaty on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms,

Noting also with satisfaction the conclusion of the Treaty on the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms,

Realizing the vital importance of further nuclear disarmament with the ultimate goals of the complete elimination of nuclear weapons and a treaty on general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control,

Bearing in mind the results of the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, 1/

Noting that the vast majority of States Members of the United Nations are now parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,

1. Welcomes the accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of the following States: Algeria, Argentina, Chile, Comoros,

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1/ See 1995 Review and Extension Conference Part I of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT/CONF.1995/32 (Part I)).

Eritrea, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Palau, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates and Vanuatu;

2. Welcomes the accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of Ukraine as a non-nuclear-weapon State, and in this regard acknowledges that this decision as well as relevant decisions taken by Belarus and Kazakstan, contributed to the entry into force of the Treaty on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, which is a major landmark in the process of nuclear disarmament;

3. Acknowledges the progress in the process of implementation of START I to date by the parties to the Treaty;

4. Welcomes the signing of the Treaty on the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms by the Russian Federation and the United States of America and urges the parties to take the steps necessary to bring that Treaty into force at the earliest possible date;

5. Also welcomes the fact that South Africa has voluntarily given up its nuclear weapon programme as well as the voluntary renunciation of nuclear weapons by Belarus, Kazakstan and Ukraine, and recognizes the significant contribution of those States to nuclear disarmament and the strengthening of regional and global security.

Eritrea, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Palau, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates and Vanuatu;

2. Welcomes the accession on 5 December 1994 to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons of Ukraine as a non-nuclear-weapon State, and in this regard acknowledges that this decision as well as relevant decisions previously taken by Belarus and Kazakstan, contributed to the entry into force of the Treaty on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, which is a major landmark in the process of nuclear disarmament;

3. Acknowledges the progress in the process of implementation of START I to date by the parties to the Treaty;

4. Welcomes the signing of the Treaty on the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms by the Russian Federation and the United States of America and urges the parties to take the steps necessary to bring that Treaty into force at the earliest possible date;

5. Also welcomes the fact that South Africa has voluntarily given up its nuclear weapon programme as well as the voluntary renunciation of nuclear weapons by Belarus, Kazakstan and Ukraine, and recognizes the significant contribution of those States to nuclear disarmament and the strengthening of regional and global security.

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RATIONALIZATION OF THE WORK AND REFORM OF THE AGENDA OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE

Draft decision proposed by the Chairman

The General Assembly, welcoming the progress achieved in the rationalization and improvement of the work of the First Committee,

(a) Requests the Chairman of the First Committee to continue consultations on the further rationalization of the work of the Committee with a view to improving further its effective functioning;

(b) Decides, on the recommendation of the First Committee, to defer consideration of the item entitled "Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee" until its fifty-second session and to include it in the provisional agenda of that session.

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Mali*: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.29

Operative paragraph 4

Requests the Secretary-General to provide, from within existing resources, the requisite assistance for the implementation in the countries concerned of the relevant recommendations contained in the report of these advisory missions.

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* On behalf of the sponsors.

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THE ROLE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE CONTEXT OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, DISARMAMENT AND OTHER RELATED FIELDS

Cuba, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Myanmar and Pakistan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.13

1. Replace the second preambular paragraph with the following:

Recognizing the importance of continued multilateral dialogue on internationally agreed means of ensuring transfer of technology for peaceful purposes while avoiding diversion of such technology to non-peaceful purposes,

2. Replace operative paragraph 1 (b) with the following:

(b) Exploring ways and means of developing multilaterally negotiated, universally accepted and non-discriminatory agreements on transfer of high technology with military applications;

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CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING OF BACTERIOLOGICAL (BIOLOGICAL) AND TOXIN WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

Cuba, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Pakistan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.14

Status of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction

1. Replace preambular paragraph 6 with the following:

Noting the information provided by the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth, forty-ninth and fiftieth sessions,

2. Add new preambular paragraphs 7 and 8 as follows:

Aware of difficulties in producing a timetable for the implementation of the Convention as the two largest declared possessors of the chemical weapons have not yet ratified the Convention and that a number of issues remain unresolved,

Reiterating that economic and technological development of States parties shall not be hampered and that restrictions, including those in any international agreement, shall not be maintained among the States parties,

3. Replace operative paragraph 1 with the following:

1. Notes the work done so far by the Preparatory Commission for the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons in preparation for the entry into force and effective implementation of the Convention on the

Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, and urges the early completion of this work;

4. Add a new operative paragraph 3 as follows:

3. Urges all signatories to participate fully in the work of the Preparatory Commission and to intensify their efforts to resolve outstanding issues, in particular that of removal of existing restrictions in the economic and technological areas.

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COMPLIANCE WITH ARMS LIMITATION AND DISARMAMENT OBLIGATIONS

Iran (Islamic Republic of), Myanmar and Pakistan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.42

Compliance with arms limitation and disarmament agreements

1. Replace preambular paragraphs 7, 8 and 9 with the following:

Recognizing, in this context, that full compliance by parties with all provisions of existing agreements and resolving compliance concerns effectively through procedures provided in such agreements can, inter alia, facilitate the conclusion of additional arms limitation and disarmament agreements,

Believing that compliance with all provisions of arms limitation and disarmament agreements by States parties is a matter of interest and concern to all members of the international community, and noting the role that the United Nations has played and should continue to play in that regard,

Convinced that resolution of non-compliance questions that have arisen with regard to arms limitations and disarmament obligations through procedures provided in relevant agreements would contribute to better relations among States and the strengthening of world peace and security.

2. Replace operative paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 with the following:

1. Urges all States parties to arms limitation and disarmament agreements to implement and comply with the entirety of the spirit and provisions of such agreements, including those related to transfer of technology and peaceful use;

2. Calls upon all States parties to give serious consideration to the implication that non-compliance with any provision of arms limitation and disarmament obligations has for international security and stability, as well as for the prospects for further progress in the field of disarmament;

3. Also calls upon all States parties to support efforts aimed at the resolution of non-compliance questions through procedures provided for in relevant agreements, with a view to encouraging strict observance by all parties of the provisions of arms limitation and disarmament agreements and maintaining or restoring the integrity of such agreements;

4. Welcomes the role that the United Nations has played in fostering negotiations on certain arms limitation and disarmament agreements;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide any assistance that may be necessary in fostering negotiations on arms limitation and disarmament agreements;

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Iran (Islamic Republic of), India and Pakistan:
amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.45

Memorandum on the export of anti-personnel land-mines

1. Delete preambular paragraph 15.

2. Replace preambular paragraph 16 with the following:

Recognizing that States can move most effectively towards the goal of the eventual elimination of anti-personnel land-mines as viable and humane alternatives are developed, and emphasizing the need for States to work on developing such alternatives and ensuring transfer of related technology to all States on an urgent basis,

3. Replace operative paragraphs 2, 4 and 5 with the following:

2. Urges States that have not yet done so to declare such moratoriums on all types of anti-personnel land-mines at the earliest possible date;

4. Emphasizes the importance of the Convention on prohibition or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects and Protocol II thereto as the authoritative international instrument governing the responsible use of anti-personnel land-mines and related devices, and urges parties to build consensus towards an agreement on additional measures concerning prohibition and use of certain types of anti-personnel land-mines along with specific measures to ensure full and unimpeded access to material, equipment and technology for mine clearance when the Review Conference of Parties to the Convention reconvenes;

5. Encourages steps that would facilitate the widest possible accession to the Convention and to Protocol II thereto, and further urges all States to comply fully with the applicable rules of Protocol II;

4. Add a new operative paragraph 6 as follows:

6. Calls upon all States, especially those which have a capacity to do so, to provide all kinds of assistance to remove or otherwise render ineffective minefields, mines and booby traps in accordance with international law.

5. Renumber other paragraphs accordingly.

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Cuba, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Myanmar and Pakistan: amendments to draft resolution A/C.1/50/L.15

Prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

1. In the first preambular paragraph, replace the words "by consensus" with the words "without a vote".

2. After the second preambular paragraph, add a new preambular paragraph, as follows:

Noting the different views expressed regarding the scope of such a treaty.

3. Replace the third preambular paragraph with the following:

Welcoming further the adoption of the report of the Special Coordinator of the Conference on Disarmament and the mandate contained therein, without prejudice to the discussion and a final decision on the scope of the treaty.

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